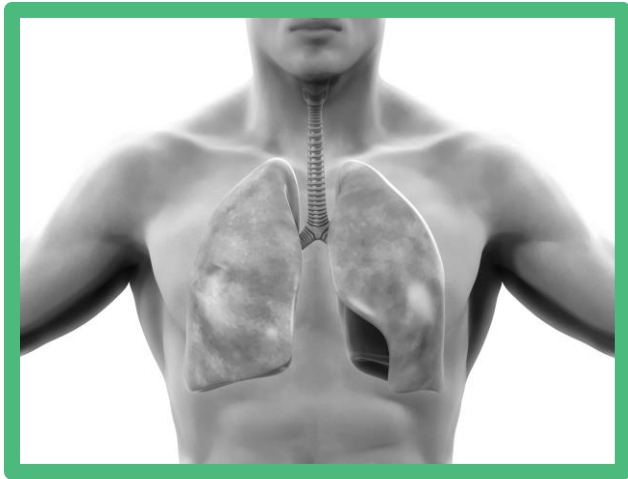




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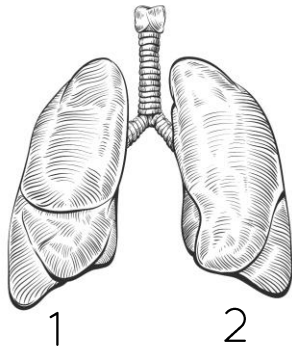
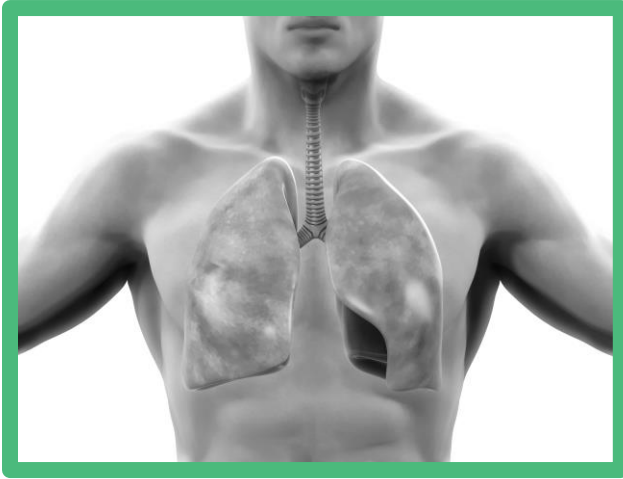
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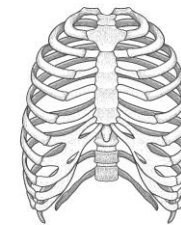
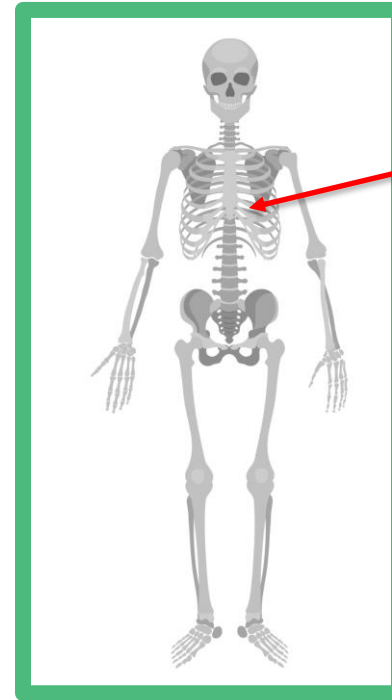
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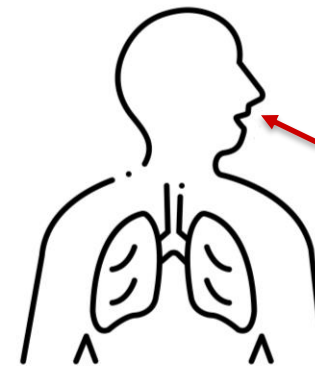
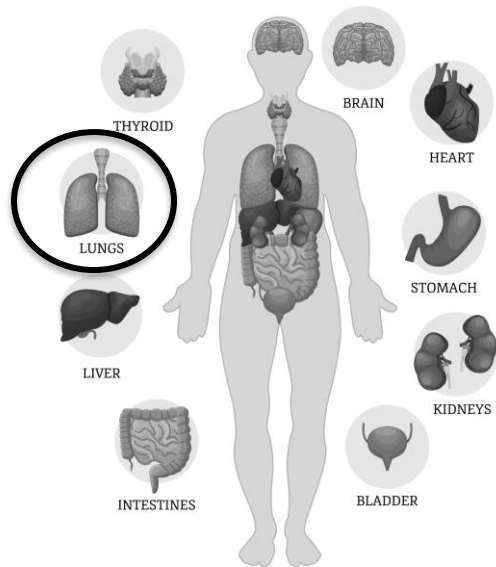
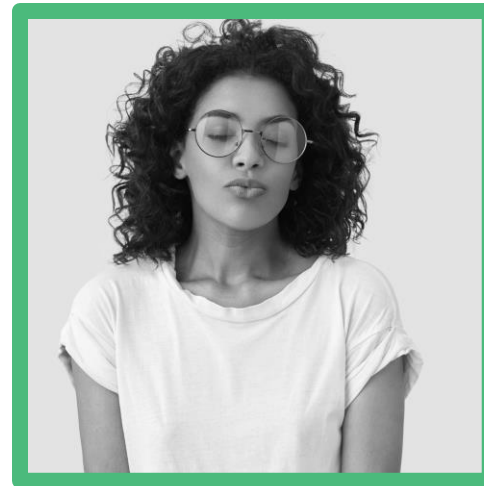
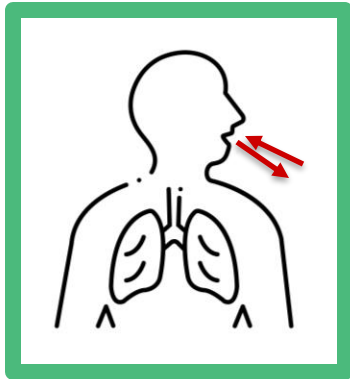
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Your **lungs** are an organ in your body. You have two lungs.

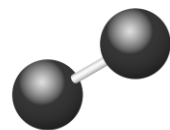
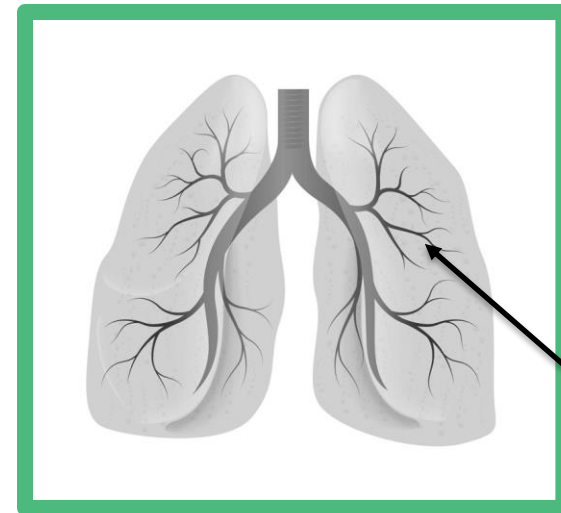


Your lungs are in your chest. Ribs are bones. Your **ribcage** protects your lungs.



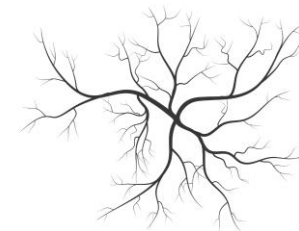
Lungs are the organ you use to **breathe**. Air goes in and out of your lungs.

You **inhale** air through your nose or mouth. Inhale means to breathe in air.

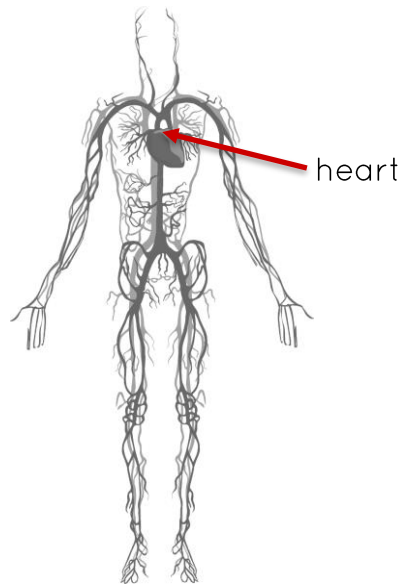
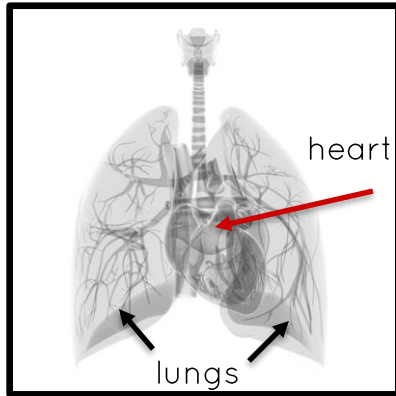


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Oxygen

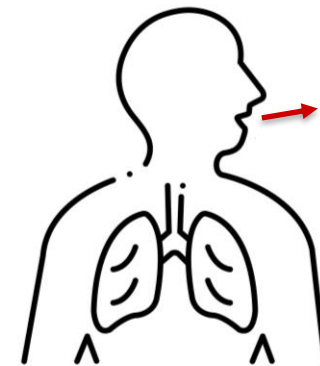
The air you inhale goes to your lungs. The air has **oxygen** in it.



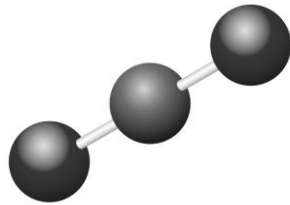
Your lungs push the oxygen into your **blood**. Your body needs oxygen to live.



Then the blood goes to the **heart**. The heart pumps the blood with oxygen in it through arteries. It goes all over the body.



You **exhale** air through your nose or mouth. Exhale means to breathe out air.



CO_2
Carbon dioxide

The air you exhale has **carbon dioxide** in it. Your body does not need that.



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